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1. Are you currently registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you now live, or haven't you had a chance to register yet?

Yes, registered..... 10 **[15]**
 0
 No, not registered..... -
 Not sure..... -

2. All in all, do you think things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

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				<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>				<u>1</u>		<u>0</u>	
Right direction..	14	17	19	18	20	19	25	33	41	33	40	40	55	65	28	
Wrong track.....	72	70	67	67	68	64	57	49	38	50	44	38	26	22	51	
Mixed (VOL).....	9	9	11	11	9	13	13	14	15	12	13	17	15	9	15	
Not sure.....	5	4	3	4	3	4	5	4	6	5	3	5	4	4	6	
							<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/9</u>	<u>7/9</u>	<u>5/90</u>	<u>4/90</u>	<u>3/90</u>	<u>1/9</u>	<u>11/8</u>	<u>9/89</u>	
							<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>				<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>		
							22	45	40	42	47	44	49	41	42	
							59	40	37	38	32	31	29	35	34	
							14	10	18	16	13	20	17	19	19	
							5	5	5	4	8	5	5	5	5	

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3. Would you say that you and your family are better off or worse off than you were four years ago?

Better off.....	38	<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/91</u>	<u>10/91</u>	[17]
		35	36	39	42	40	
Worse off.....	39	43	41	40	39	37	
About the same	22	20	22	20	17	22	
(VOL).....							
Not sure.....	1	2	1	1	2	1	

4. I'm going to read you the names of several groups and people who are active in public affairs. I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so. **(READ EACH ITEM AND REPEAT CHOICES. START FROM THE BOTTOM AND WORK YOUR WAY UP ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neu- tral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
George Bush							[18]
May 1992.....	12	28	17	21	21	1	
April 1992.....	15	29	17	19	19	1	
February 1992.....	15	30	16	18	20	1	
January 1992.....	16	33	17	18	15	1	
December 1991.....	19	35	13	19	13	1	
October 1991.....	27	35	15	12	10	1	
June 1991.....	38	33	10	11	7	-	
May 1991.....	42	35	10	8	4	1	
March 1991.....	50	30	9	6	4	1	
October 1990.....	20	36	17	15	11	1	
July 1990.....	26	42	16	10	5	1	
May 1990.....	28	40	15	11	5	1	
March 1990.....	32	37	15	10	5	1	
December 1989.....	28	33	21	11	5	2	
November 1989.....	24	38	17	11	8	2	
The U.S. Congress							[19]
May 1992.....	2	15	19	32	29	3	
Jesse Jackson							
May 1992.....	7	22	25	18	24	4	
February 1992.....	8	21	23	20	24	4	[20]
October 1991.....	9	22	22	21	22	4	
October 1990.....	12	25	24	17	18	4	
March 1990.....	15	28	24	14	15	4	
November 1989.....	15	30	23	16	13	3	
Ross Perot							[21]
May 1992.....	13	20	26	7	7	27	
April 1992.....	13	18	21	7	6	35	
The Supreme Court							
May 1992.....	10	32	27	16	10	5	
Jack Kemp							[22]
May 1992.....	8	18	22	10	3	39	[23]
Q.4. (cont'd)							
	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neu- tral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/	

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						Not Sure	
Bill Clinton							[24]
May 1992.....	9	24	23	24	15	5	
April 1992.....	8	24	20	25	18	5	
February 1992.....	7	22	22	19	13	17	
January 1992.....	5	17	17	5	3	53	
December 1991.....	3	12	13	4	2	66	
October 1991.....	3	7	14	5	2	69	
							[25]
Dan Quayle							
May 1992.....	5	19	28	20	24	4	
April 1992.....	6	20	28	22	21	3	
February 1992.....	7	22	26	20	22	3	
January 1992.....	6	25	27	20	18	4	
December 1991.....	7	25	28	20	18	2	
October 1991.....	10	25	28	15	18	4	
June 1991.....	9	24	30	18	15	3	
May 1991.....	9	25	27	17	18	4	
March 1991.....	7	26	29	15	18	5	
October 1990.....	5	22	28	19	19	7	
July 1990.....	6	22	33	16	14	9	
May 1990.....	7	22	29	18	19	5	
March 1990.....	7	21	28	17	19	8	
November 1989.....	7	22	26	17	21	7	

5a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing as president?

		NBC														[26]
		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>11/9</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>9/91</u>	<u>8/9</u>	<u>7/9</u>	<u>6/9</u>	<u>5/9</u>	<u>3/9</u>	<u>2/9</u>	<u>1/91</u>	
Approve.....	4	43	45	53	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	63	64	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>]
Disapprove....	5	52	48	40	41	39	30	27	21	25	21	19	13	11	15	
Not sure.....	7	5	7	7	7	10	7	9	9	8	3	7	6	4	8	
					<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/30</u>	<u>10/19</u>	<u>9/9</u>	<u>7/9</u>	<u>5/9</u>	<u>4/9</u>	<u>3/9</u>	<u>1/9</u>	<u>11/8</u>		
					<u>0</u>	-	-	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	
						<u>31/90</u>	<u>21/90</u>									
					57	56	59	75	67	72	75	69	71	67		
					36	32	32	15	22	21	15	19	19	22		
					7	12	9	10	11	7	10	12	10	11		

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5b. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing in handling the economy?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/91</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>9/91</u>	<u>7/91</u>	<u>6/91</u>	<u>5/91</u>	<u>3/91</u>	<u>12/90</u>	
Approve....	2	23	23	23	23	31	41	38	47	44	44	37	[27]
	1												
Disapprove.....	7	72	72	70	71	61	51	52	48	44	45	54	
Not sure..	6	5	5	7	6	8	8	10	5	12	11	9	
			<u>10/90</u>	<u>9/90</u>	<u>7/90</u>	<u>5/90</u>	<u>4/90</u>	<u>3/90</u>	<u>1/90</u>	<u>11/89</u>	<u>9/89</u>		
			35	52	48	51	59	53	54	52	61		
			55	36	41	40	30	35	31	33	24		
			10	12	11	9	11	12	15	15	15		

(FORM A)

5c. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing in handling our foreign policy?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/91</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>9/91</u>	<u>7/91</u>	<u>6/91</u>	<u>5/91</u>	<u>3/91</u>	<u>12/90</u>	
Approve.....	55	59	60	63	68	70	71	74	74	76	83	56	[28]
Disapprove..	37	37	34	30	26	23	23	21	21	18	11	37	
Not sure...	8	4	6	7	6	7	6	5	5	6	6	7	
			<u>10/90</u>	<u>9/90</u>	<u>7/90</u>	<u>5/90</u>	<u>4/90</u>	<u>3/90</u>	<u>1/90</u>	<u>11/89</u>	<u>9/89</u>		
			63	75	67	67	70	67	69	59	58		
			30	17	22	25	22	22	21	27	26		
			7	8	11	8	8	11	10	14	16		

(BOTH FORMS)

6a. Looking ahead to this year's election for U.S. Congress, do you feel your representative deserves to be reelected, or do you think it is time to give a new person a chance?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/91</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>9/91</u>	<u>7/91</u>	<u>6/91</u>	<u>5/91</u>	<u>3/91</u>	<u>12/90</u>	
Reelect representative.....	3	33	37	42	35	40	39	41					[29]
	3												
Give new person a chance.....	5	57	52	48	52	48	48	36					
	7												
Not sure.....	1	10	11	10	13	12	13	23					
	0												

6b. In this year's election for U.S. Congress, do you plan to vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate in your district?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/91</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>9/91</u>	<u>7/91</u>	<u>6/91</u>	<u>5/91</u>	<u>3/91</u>	<u>12/90</u>	<u>11/89</u>	<u>9/89</u>	
Vote for the Republican candidate.....	3	32	30	29	27	31	29	31	32	33	34	25	26	27	[30]
	1														
Vote for the Democratic candidate.....	3	36	38	38	33	34	33	40	37	36	33	34	31	32	
	7														
Depends (VOL).....	1	14	14	18	26	20	24	12	14	17	22	29	33	28	24
	3														
Neither (VOL).....	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
Not sure.....	1	16	17	14	13	14	13	14	16	12	10	10	8	12	14
	6														

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- 7a. If the 1992 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were George Bush, the Republican, Bill Clinton, the Democrat, and Ross Perot, the Independent, for whom would you vote--Bush, Clinton, or Perot?

(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?

George Bush.....	3	<u>4/92</u> 35	[31]
	2		
Lean Bush.....	3	3	
Bill Clinton.....	2	27	
	4		
Lean Clinton.....	3	3	
Ross Perot.....	2	23	
	3		
Lean Perot.....	7	3	
None (VOL).....	3	2	
Not sure.....	5	4	

- 7b. If the 1992 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were George Bush, the Republican, and Bill Clinton, the Democrat, for whom would you vote--Bush or Clinton?

(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?

(IF "BUSH" OR "CLINTON," ASK:) Would you say you support (George Bush/Bill Clinton) very strongly or not so strongly?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>10/91</u>	[32]
George Bush/strongly.....	24	30	33	{48	{55	
George Bush/not so strongly.	21	18	15			
Lean Bush.....	2	2	3	4	3	
Bill Clinton/strongly.....	21	19	17	{32	{20	
Bill Clinton/not so strongly....	20	20	19			
Lean Clinton.....	2	3	3	3	2	
Neither (VOL).....	7	5	4	3	2	
Not sure.....	3	3	6	10	18	

8. How much would you say you know about Ross Perot and what he stands for--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, very little, or nothing at all?

A great deal.....	4	<u>4/92</u> 3	[33]
Quite a bit.....	1	12	
	3		
Just some.....	3	31	
	4		
Very little.....	3	30	
	0		
Nothing at all.....	1	21	
	8		
Not sure.....	1	3	

9. Which one of these candidates for president do you think best represents traditional American values? (READ CHOICES. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

Ross Perot.....	2	[34]
	5	
Bill Clinton.....	2	
	2	
George Bush.....	3	

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	7
Other (VOL).....	1
All equally (VOL).....	1
None of these (VOL).....	6
Not sure.....	8

10. There have been a number of questions raised in the news media about Ross Perot's past. Based on what you know and have heard about Ross Perot, how much do questions about his past concern you--a great deal, some, very little, or not at all?

A great deal.....	1	[35]
Some.....	2	
Very little.....	3	
Not at all.....	4	
Not sure.....	5	

(FORM A)

11. Now, let me read you a list of some specific issues. When it comes to **(READ ITEM)**, which party do you think would do a better job--the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, neither, or are both about the same? **(REPEAT FOR EACH ITEM LISTED BELOW. ROTATE ORDER OF ITEMS.)**

	Democrat ic Party	Republic an Party	Neith er	Bot h	Not Sur e	
Dealing with the economy						[36]
May 1992.....	29	25	17	25	4	
April 1992.....	29	24	17	27	3	
February 1992.....	28	22	16	31	3	
January 1992.....	28	23	12	33	4	
October 1991*.....	27	28	14	26	5	
October 1990.....	31	30	13	21	5	
November 1989.....	26	40	10	18	6	
Looking out for the poor						
May 1992.....	56	10	16	14	4	[37]
October 1991*.....	54	9	16	15	6	
October 1990.....	60	10	11	15	4	
Dealing with the issue of abortion						[38]
May 1992.....	35	21	16	12	16	
April 1992.....	34	19	17	19	11	
February 1992.....	31	20	17	20	12	
October 1991*.....	36	22	15	14	13	
October 1990.....	32	19	16	16	17	
November 1989.....	29	21	16	16	18	
Dealing with crime						
May 1992.....	20	27	21	23	9	[39]
February 1992.....	19	24	19	32	6	
October 1991*.....	21	26	17	27	9	
Looking out for people like you						
May 1992.....	36	23	20	15	6	[40]
October 1991*.....	33	24	19	16	8	
Dealing with women's issues and problems						[41]
May 1992.....	42	16	14	18	10	

Q.11. (FORM A) cont'd

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	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Republican <u>Party</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Both</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Dealing with taxes						[42]
May 1992.....	30	26	23	14	7	
April 1992.....	30	24	23	18	5	
February 1992.....	35	26	17	17	5	
October 1991*.....	26	31	18	18	7	
October 1990.....	38	25	14	17	6	
November 1989.....	29	36	12	16	7	
Dealing with race relations						
May 1992.....	40	14	19	20	7	[43]
Protecting America's interests on trade issues						
May 1992.....	24	33	12	20	11	[44]
January 1992.....	25	26	9	31	9	
October 1991*.....	22	36	10	21	11	
October 1990.....	22	35	9	24	10	
November 1989.....	20	36	9	23	12	

* Asked of one-half the respondents.

(FORM B)

12. Now, let me read you a list of some specific issues. Who do you think would do the best job as president on **(READ ITEM)**--Bill Clinton, Ross Perot, George Bush, none of them, or are all of them about the same? **(REPEAT FOR EACH ITEM LISTED BELOW. ROTATE ORDER OF ITEMS.)**

	Bill <u>Clinton</u>	Ross <u>Perot</u>	George <u>Bush</u>	None <u>of Them</u>	All of <u>Them</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Dealing with the economy.....	21	29	20	12	11	7	[45]
Looking out for the poor.....	41	14	14	17	7	7	[46]
Dealing with the issue of abortion.	24	7	24	14	7	24	[47]
Dealing with crime.....	20	15	27	14	11	13	[48]
Looking out for people like you.....	26	20	21	17	7	9	[49]
Dealing with women's issues and problems.....	31	9	18	16	10	16	[50]
Dealing with taxes.....	22	25	20	17	6	10	[51]
Dealing with race relations.....	31	8	21	16	10	14	[52]
Protecting America's interests on trade issues.....	17	23	35	6	7	12	[53]

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(BOTH FORMS)

13. How often would you say you vote in national elections--almost always, most of the time, only sometimes, or almost never?

Almost always.....	8	[54]
	0	
Most of the time.....	1	
	1	
Only sometimes.....	5	
Almost never.....	3	
Not sure.....	1	

14. How much difference do you think it will make in the lives of you and your family who wins this year's presidential election--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, or very little?

A great deal.....	3	[55]
	0	
Quite a bit.....	1	
	9	
Just some.....	2	
	4	
Very little.....	2	
	4	
Not sure.....	3	

15. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: People like me don't have any say about what the government does.

Agree.....	38	[56]
]
Disagree.....	59	
Not sure.....	3	

16. Do you think that quite a few of the people running government are a little crooked, not very many are, or do you think hardly any of them are crooked at all?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1974*</u>	<u>1972*</u>	<u>1968*</u>	<u>1964*</u>	
Quite a few are crooked.....	61	64	63	49	40	32	47	49	34	25	28	[57]
Not very many are crooked.....	29	26	27	40	45	50	41	38	46	49	49	
Hardly any are crooked.....	8	8	7	9	11	14	8	10	16	18	18	
Not sure.....	2	2	3	2	4	4	4	3	4	8	5	

* Center for Political Studies.

17. Let me read you a series of descriptions of the American political process today. Please tell me which one comes closest to your point of view. **(READ CHOICES. DO NOT ROTATE.)**

A) The American political process is working well as is.....	5	[58]
B) The American political process is working only okay and needs some changes.....	4	
	1	
C) The American political process is not working well and needs major changes.....	3	
	8	

OR

	1	
D) The American political process is not working at all and needs a complete overhaul.....	6	

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None of these (VOL).....
Not sure.....

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18. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "The economic and political systems in this country are stacked against people like me"?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/9</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>10/23-</u>	<u>10/14-</u>	<u>9/88</u>	<u>8/8</u>	
				<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>26/88*</u>	<u>16/88*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>8</u>	
Agree.....	4	59	47	43	44	48	42	43	50	43	51	[59]
	5											1
Disagree.....	4	37	47	51	49	46	54	48	42	46	39	
	9											
Not sure.....	6	4	6	6	7	6	4	9	8	11	10	

* The question read, "Do you think the political and economic systems in this country are stacked against people like you, or don't you think so?"

(FORM A)

19. In general, do you think the U.S. Supreme Court is too liberal or too conservative in its decisions?

		<u>7/91</u>	<u>7/87¹</u>	<u>7/86¹</u>	<u>7/73²</u>	
Too liberal.....	26	33	36	34	35	[60]
Too conservative.....	48	44	38	38	25	
About right (VOL).....	8	9	8	10	17	
Depends (VOL).....	5	4	-	-	-	
Not sure.....	13	10	18	18	22	

¹Comparative data from July 1987 and July 1986 was gathered by CBS News/New York Times and based on all adults.

²Comparative data from July 1973 was gathered by the Gallup Organization and based on all adults.

Now, I'd like to ask you a few questions about the economy.

(BOTH FORMS)

20. During the next year, do you think the national economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

		<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/91</u>	<u>7/91</u>	<u>6/91</u>	<u>5/91</u>	<u>3/91</u>	<u>1/91</u>	<u>12/9</u>	
					<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>							<u>0</u>	
Better.....	33	39	39	33	26	26	32	34	37	37	46	25	21	[61]
Worse.....	18	19	23	29	31	32	24	24	23	22	20	40	45	
Stay about the same.....	45	39	35	34	38	37	39	37	37	38	27	28	30	
Not sure.....	4	3	3	4	5	5	5	5	3	3	7	7	4	
					<u>10/9</u>	<u>9/90</u>	<u>7/90</u>	<u>5/90</u>	<u>4/90</u>	<u>3/90</u>	<u>1/90</u>	<u>11/8</u>	<u>9/89</u>	
					<u>0</u>							<u>9</u>		
					13	16	20	22	24	21	22	21	25	
					52	49	33	32	29	30	28	33	23	
					30	26	40	41	42	44	44	39	43	
					5	9	7	5	5	5	6	7	9	

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|--------------------------|----|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | <u>2</u> | | <u>2</u> | | |
| President Bush..... | 25 | 29 | 23 | 19 | 20 | [63] |
| The Federal Reserve..... | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | |
| Democrats in Congress. . | 23 | 13 | 15 | 12 | 22 | |
| Banks..... | 6 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 9 | |
| The normal business | 22 | 29 | 27 | 30 | 21 | |
| cycle..... | | | | | | |
| All equally (VOL)..... | 8 | 10 | 13 | 13 | 12 | |
| None of these (VOL)..... | 6 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 7 | |

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Not sure..... 4 | 6 5 5 5

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ALL REGISTERED

(BOTH FORMS)

23. Do you think the middle class is being squeezed more by: **(READ CHOICES. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

A) The cost of welfare programs for the poor and unfair advantages for minorities.....	25	[64]
OR		
B) The cost of tax breaks for the rich and unfair advantages for big business.....	58	
Both equally (VOL).....	10	
Neither (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	3	

Now, I'd like to ask you a few questions about some domestic social issues.

24. Do you think the federal government is currently spending too much, too little, or the right amount on fighting poverty?

		<u>5/91</u>	
Too much.....	16	10	[65]
Too little.....	63	65	
The right amount.....	14	17	
Not sure.....	7	8	

25. Do you think that most people who receive money from welfare could get along without it if they tried, or do you think they really need this help?

Could get along without welfare. .	45	[66]
Really need this help.....	45	
Not sure.....	10	

26. Compared to ten years ago, do you think blacks in America are a lot better off, a little better off, about the same, a little worse off, or a lot worse off?

A lot better off.....	20	[67]
A little better off.....	33	
About the same.....	24	
A little worse off.....	13	
A lot worse off.....	6	
Not sure.....	4	

27. Do you think the United States has made a lot of progress, some progress, or not much progress in easing tensions between blacks and whites in the past ten years?

A lot of progress.....	10	[68]
Some progress.....	35	
Not much progress.....	53	
Not sure.....	2	

VOTERS

ALL REGISTERED

28. In dealing with the problems of America's inner cities, do you think there should be a greater emphasis on: **(READ STATEMENTS. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

A) Government spending on education and training programs to help people in the inner cities.....	4 7	[69]
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OR

B) Private initiative and personal responsibility by people living in the inner cities.....	3 8
Both equally (VOL).....	1 1
Neither (VOL).....	1
Not sure.....	3

29. Which do you think is more responsible for the deterioration of America's inner cities: **(READ STATEMENTS. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

A) The social programs of the "Great Society" begun back in the 1960s.....	2 9	[70]
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OR

B) Reductions in social programs for the poor and inner cities made by the Reagan and Bush administrations over the past decade.....	5 2
Both equally (VOL).....	4
Neither (VOL).....	5
Not sure.....	1 0

30. And which of the following reasons do you think is most responsible for the continuing problem of poverty in our nation's inner cities? **(READ LIST. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

A) The lack of government funding and programs.....	6	[71]
B) The lack of job opportunities.....	2 8	
C) Racial discrimination.....	3	
D) The breakdown of families.....	2 3	
E) Drugs.....	1 4	
F) The lack of a work ethic.....	1 0	
Other (VOL).....	1	
All equally (VOL).....	1 3	
None of these (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	1	

ALL REGISTERED

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Now, I'd like to ask you a few questions about some other social issues.

31. For each of the following groups, please tell me if you feel they are receiving too many special advantages, receiving fair treatment, or being discriminated against. How about **(READ GROUP)**--are they receiving special advantages, receiving fair treatment, or being discriminated against? **(RECORD BELOW AND ASK FOR THE OTHER GROUPS. START FROM BOTTOM ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

	<u>Special Advantage s</u>	<u>Fair Treatment</u>	<u>Discriminate d Against</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Blacks					[72]
May 1992.....	16	37	41	6	
May 1991.....	17	45	32	6	
July 1990.....	14	43	36	7	
Whites					[73]
May 1992.....	14	60	21	5	
Asian-Americans					[74]
May 1992.....	12	52	25	11	
May 1991.....	12	54	17	17	
July 1990.....	14	48	21	17	

32. Do you think blacks and other minorities should receive preference in hiring to make up for past inequalities, or not?

		<u>6/91</u>	
Should receive preference.....	15	18	[75]
Should not receive preference.....	81	78	
Not sure.....	4	4	

33. How likely do you think it is that there will be other racial disturbances around the country this summer like the ones that occurred recently in Los Angeles--very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely?

Very likely.....	38	[76]
Somewhat likely.....	42	
Not very likely.....	13	
Not at all likely.....	4	
Not sure.....	3	

34. Which of the following do you think is the best way to explain the disturbances in Los Angeles: **(READ CHOICES. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

A) They were caused by longstanding racial and economic frustrations that came to a head after the Rodney King verdict.....	3 2	[77]
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OR

B) People who do not respect law and order used the Rodney King verdict as an excuse to engage in looting and violence.....	5 5
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Both equally (VOL).....	1 0
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Neither (VOL).....	1
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Not sure.....	2
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35. Which of the following do you think is the best way for government to deal with the problems raised by the incidents in Los Angeles: **(READ STATEMENTS. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)**

STATEMENT A: The government should place a greater emphasis on law and order, and crack down on the people responsible for the disturbances.

OR

STATEMENT B: The government should place a greater emphasis on providing services and programs to alleviate problems in the inner cities.

Statement A.....	3 8	[78]
Statement B.....	4 9	
Both equally (VOL).....	8	
Neither (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	2	

36. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush has responded to the situation in Los Angeles?

Approve.....	4 3	[79]
Disapprove.....	4 9	
Neither (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	5	

37. Have you spoken to anyone who is a different race from you about the situation in Los Angeles or the Rodney King verdict?

Yes, have spoken to someone who is a different race.....	4 8	[80]
No, have not spoken to someone who is a different race.....	5 1	
Not sure.....	1	

38. Some people say police officers rough up people unnecessarily while they are arresting them or after they have made their arrest. Do you think this happens to people in your neighborhood?

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Yes.....	4	[81]
	4	
No.....	5	
	1	
Not sure.....	5	

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ALL REGISTERED

Changing subjects:

39a. Do you personally believe abortion is wrong?

		<u>5/91</u>	<u>7/90</u>	<u>4/89</u>	<u>1/89</u>	<u>10/88</u>	<u>2/84</u>	<u>8/82</u>	
Yes.....	4 6	44	52	49	54	50	55	49	[82]
No.....	4 7	46	40	44	39	40	38	44	
Not sure.....	7	10	8	7	7	10	7	7	

39b. Do you think abortion should be illegal, or not?

		<u>5/91</u>	<u>7/90</u>	<u>4/89</u>	<u>1/89</u>	<u>10/88</u>	<u>2/84</u>	<u>8/82</u>	
Yes.....	2 8	31	32	30	34	31	36	31	[83]
No.....	6 5	60	60	64	61	61	58	62	
Not sure.....	7	9	8	6	5	8	6	7	

39c. As you may know, the U.S. Supreme Court currently is considering whether to uphold a Pennsylvania law that restricts abortion. The Pennsylvania law requires that women wait twenty-four hours after requesting an abortion before it is performed, that women under age 18 get a parent's permission, and that married women tell their husbands before being allowed to have an abortion. Do you think the U.S. Supreme Court should or should not overturn this Pennsylvania law?

Yes, should overturn Pennsylvania law	3 8	[84]
No, should not overturn Pennsylvania law.....	5 7	
Not sure.....	5	

40. Now, let me read you some specific proposals for restricting abortion. For each one, please tell me whether you would favor or oppose this restriction.

(FOR EACH ITEM, ASK:) Would you favor or oppose (READ ITEM)? (REPEAT FOR EACH ITEM. ROTATE ORDER ON EVERY OTHER INTERVIEW.)

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Requiring women under age 18 to get a parent's permission before receiving an abortion.....	70	27	3	[85]
Completely banning all abortions except in cases of rape, incest, or when the life of the woman is at risk.....	41	56	3	[86]
Requiring women to wait twenty-four hours before receiving an abortion	69	27	4	[87]
Requiring married women to inform their husbands before receiving an abortion.....	62	35	3	[88]
Completely banning all abortions after the first trimester.....	50	42	8	[89]

ALL REGISTERED**VOTERS**

(FORM B)

41a. Would you be more likely or less likely to support a candidate who favors a woman's right to an abortion?

(IF "MORE LIKELY," ASK:) Would this make you much more likely or somewhat more likely to support this candidate?

(IF "LESS LIKELY," ASK:) Would this make you much less likely or somewhat less likely to support this candidate?

Much more likely to support.....	34	[90]
Somewhat more likely to support.	25	
Somewhat less likely to support...	12	
Much less likely to support.....	14	
Not make much difference	9	
(VOL).....		
Not sure.....	6	

(FORM B)

41b. Would you be more likely or less likely to support a candidate who favors allowing states to decide individually whether abortion should be legal?

(IF "MORE LIKELY," ASK:) Would this make you much more likely or somewhat more likely to support this candidate?

(IF "LESS LIKELY," ASK:) Would this make you much less likely or somewhat less likely to support this candidate?

Much more likely to support.....	16	[91]
Somewhat more likely to support.	24	
Somewhat less likely to support...	20	
Much less likely to support.....	28	
Not make much difference	5	
(VOL).....		
Not sure.....	7	

(FORM B)

42. Do you favor or oppose the death penalty?

		<u>5/91</u>	<u>7/90</u>	
Favor.....	69	71	71	[92]
Oppose.....	24	18	20	
Not sure.....	7	11	9	

(FORM B)

43. Do you favor or oppose a federal law to require a seven-day waiting period before an individual can purchase a handgun?

		<u>5/91</u>	
Favor.....	8	80	[93]
	7		
Oppose.....	1	16	
	2		
Not sure.....	1	4	

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.**(BOTH FORMS)**

F1. Did you happen to vote in the 1988 presidential election?

(IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote--George Bush, the Republican, or Michael Dukakis, the Democrat?

Didn't vote.....	9	[94]
Voted for George Bush.....	5	
	3	
Voted for Michael Dukakis.....	2	
	8	
Other candidate (VOL).....	2	
Too young (VOL).....	4	
Not sure/refused.....	4	

F2. In politics today, do you generally consider yourself to be very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, very conservative, or haven't you thought much about it?

Very liberal.....	9	[95]
Somewhat liberal.....	1	
	6	
Moderate.....	2	
	7	
Somewhat conservative.....	2	
	3	
Very conservative.....	8	
No thoughts.....	1	
	6	
Not sure.....	1	

F3. And generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or something else?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong Democrat/Republican or a not very strong Democrat/Republican? **(IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.")**

(IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly Independent? **(IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")**

Strong Democrat.....	1	[96]
	4	
Not strong Democrat.....	1	
	8	
Independent/lean Democrat.....	9	
Strictly Independent.....	1	
	8	
Independent/lean Republican.....	9	
Not strong Republican.....	1	
	5	
Strong Republican.....	1	
	0	
Other.....	5	
Refused.....	1	
Don't know/nothing.....	1	

F4. What is the best way to describe the area where you live? **(READ LIST.)**

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Large city.....	1	[97]
	8	
Suburban area of a large city.....	2	
	0	
Medium or small city.....	1	
	9	
Suburban area of medium or small city.....	1	
	1	
Small town.....	1	
	8	
Rural area.....	1	
	4	
Not sure/refused.....	-	

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F5. What is the last grade you completed in school? **(DO NOT READ CHOICES.)**

Grade school.....	2	[98]
Some high school.....	9	
High school graduate.....	2	
	9	
Some college, no degree.....	1	
	9	
Vocational training, 2-year college.....	1	
	0	
4-year college/Bachelor's degree.....	1	
	8	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	2	
2-3 years postgraduate work, Master's	8	
degree.....		
Doctoral degree/law degree.....	3	
Not sure.....	-	

F6. How old are you? (IF REFUSED, ASK:) Well, can you tell me which age group you belong to? Are you in the age group 18 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39, 40 to 44, 45 to 49, 50 to 54, 55 to 59, 60 to 64, or 65 and over?

18-24.....	1	[99]
	0	
25-29.....	1	
	0	
30-34.....	1	
	1	
35-39.....	1	
	1	
40-44.....	1	
	0	
45-49.....	7	
50-54.....	7	
55-59.....	6	
60-64.....	7	
65 and over.....	2	
	1	
Not sure/refused.....	-	

F7. What type of work do you do? (WRITE JOB DESCRIPTION IN SPACE BELOW.)

Professional/manager.....	2	[100]
	6	
White collar worker.....	1	
	6	
Blue collar worker.....	2	
	1	
Farmer.....	1	
Student.....	4	
Homemaker.....	1	
	8	
Retired.....	1	
	0	
Unemployed.....	3	
Never worked/not sure.....	1	

F8. What is your marital status--are you single and never married, married, separated, divorced, or widowed?

Single.....	2	[101]
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	1
Married.....	5
	8
Separated.....	2
Divorced.....	8
Widowed.....	1
	0
Not sure/refused.....	1

F9. In what religion were you brought up?

Protestant.....	6	[102]
	0	
Catholic.....	3	
	0	
Jewish.....	2	
Other.....	5	
None.....	3	
Not sure/refused.....	-	

F10a. Are you white, black, Hispanic, Asian, or something else?

White.....	83	SKIP TO Q.F11.	[103]
Black.....	11	CONTINUE	
Hispanic.....	3	SKIP	
Asian.....	1	TO	
Other.....	1	Q.F11.	
Not sure/refused.....	1		

(ASK ONLY OF BLACK RESPONDENTS)

F10b. When someone refers to your race, do you prefer to be referred to as black, African-American, or do you prefer some other term?

Black.....	5	[104]
	7	
African-American.....	2	
	4	
Some other term.....	1	
	0	
Not sure/refused.....	9	

(ASK EVERYONE.)

F11. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than \$10,000, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, between \$20,000 and \$30,000, between \$30,000 and \$40,000, between \$40,000 and \$50,000, between \$50,000 and \$75,000, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000.....	7	[105]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	1	
	6	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	1	
	6	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	1	
	6	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	1	
	3	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	1	
	6	
More than \$75,000.....	9	
Not sure/refused.....	7	

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